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Ms. Donna Dunnings
Chief Financial Officer
118 North Clark Street
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Dear Ms. Dunnings:

Richard Boykin is the former Chief of Staff to United States Congressman Danny Davis. His experience includes a focus on federal legislative, regulatory and appropriations work and makes him uniquely qualified to represent the people of Cook County in Washington DC.

As such, I respectfully submit this letter of justification to your office. If you have any questions or if I may supply additional information to you, please do not hesitate to contact me at your convenience.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Derek Blaida".

Derek Blaida
Special Assistant to the President / Government Affairs

